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### NEWS RELEASE

The International Bridge Administration today announced that one-way traffic crossings of the International Bridge at Sault Ste. Marie totaled 122,006 for the month of February, 2007. This represents a decrease of 2.59% as compared to February, 2006.

Traffic statistics for the month are as follows:

<i>Vehicle Classification</i>	<i>One-Way Crossings</i>	<i>Change from February, 2006</i>	<i>Percent of Total Crossings</i>
<b><i>Full-Fare Passenger Cars:</i></b>	43,126	-6.9%	35.3%
<b><i>Commuter Fare:</i></b>	67,890	1.8%	55.6%
<b><i>Car Pulling Trailers</i></b>	2,212	-21.6%	1.8%
<b><i>Commercial Trucks:</i></b>	8,778	-6.6%	7.3%
<b><i>Totals:</i></b>	122,006		100%

Traffic for calendar year 2007 has totaled 250,779 vehicles; this represents a decrease of 3.8% as compared to 2006. Since the bridge opened in 1962, over 82.9 million vehicles have crossed the structure.

Manager's note:

A reminder that a bridge toll increase, as approved by the JIBA Board, will be implemented at 12:00 a.m. on April 1, 2007. The passenger vehicle toll will be increased to \$2.00 (USD) or the Canadian currency equivalent. Information on the new toll rates and vehicle classification policy changes are available at [www.michigan.gov/iba](http://www.michigan.gov/iba).

Sincerely,

***International Bridge Administration***

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